Mr. E. W. Halford were present, however, and there was music and dancing, under the direction of a floor committee composed of A. F. Springsteen, W. S. Odell, Perry S. Heath, W. F. Hield, Hab T. Smith, M. L. Croxall and F. E. Buckland. Among those present were:

Representative Browne, W. T. Dufin and wife, Col. Holloway, Hon. W. W. Curry, Capt. Thos. H. McKee, M. D. Helm and wife, Mr. Homer Mor-rison, Mr. Ned Hannegan, Col. Vonhockie, Hon. Wm. Heilman, Jas. T. Johnston, Joe Nichol, Austin Brown and wife, Capt. Brown, Jas, Daige and wife, Jerome Burnett, Charlie O. Burnett Judge Buskirk, Maj. M. T. Anderson and wife, Hon. T. B. Posey, Maj. W. H. Michael, Hon. Wm. D. Owen and wife, Hon. J. B. Cheadle, Hon. W. W. Curry and five daughters, Maj. G. P. Thornton, Mrs. E. T. Charles, Miss N. E. Baxter, Frank Heaton and wife, Mrs. Alice Baxter, Mr. Oswald Burke, W. H. Allen and wife, Mr. Jerry Wilson, Mr. R. Shields, General Colgrove, Hon. S. M. Stockslager, L. N. Charles, Mrs. J. W. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schley, Thomas McSheehy, Chas. Allen and wife, Dr. Georgas, Mrs. Maggie Bucke, Capt. E. W. White, Capt. James White, Mrs. Braden, Russell Harrison, A. J. and Mrs. Halford, Mr. and Mrs. Darnell, Col. W. S. Odell, J. R. Guinon and wife, Miss Nina Guinon, Miss Pauline Guinon, Col. William E. McLean, Mrs. Fleming, Hon. John Wm. Heilman, Jas. T. Johnston, Joe Nichol, Aus-William E. McLean, Mrs. Fleming, Hon. John W. Foster, Mr. Talmadge, C. S. Faulkner, C. S. B. Mint. Mr. Stevens, Mr. Kernan, Mrs. Braiton and son, Gen. J. N. Tyner, Abe Springsteen, L. Dal-

The dancing was in progress at midnight.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENTS.

Wanamaker, Noble and Windom Attempt

to Get Down to Business. Washington, March 8 .- Postmaster-general Wanamaker was busy with visitors today, but he found time, in the intervals, to attend to matters of current business of the department. The officials of the department who have come in contact with him say that he takes hold of business rapidly and that he shows a disposition to make himself familiar with the organization of the department and its methods of work. He is now receiving, daily, large numbers of applications for postoffices, which are being assorted and arranged for his consideration. The vacancies existing in the department are not numerous, and comprise that of chief postoffice inspector, ap-pointment clerk and chief clerk of the first assistant's office. Judge D. M. Key, who was Postmaster-general under President Hayes, called at the department this afternoon to pay his respects to the new Postmaster-general.

The routine of the reception which Gen.
Noble, the Secretary of the Interior, continues to hold, was broken to-day, or rather. the seat of the operations was changed, as he went to the Pension Office and was introduced to the 1,500 employes there. makes a good impression on everybody whom he meets. He has a kindly face and a courteous manner, and is disposed to hear everything a visitor wishes to say. The line of callers becomes, therefore, a rather slow one, and his waiting-room is generally crowded. He had no time to-day to attend to department business, but he is getting ready to make some appointments which will be announced in a day two. The large number important bureaus in the Interior Department offer some attractive places to office-seekers, and Secretary Noble has been in-terviewed exhaustively by the candidates and their friends. The head of the General Land Office is an office of considerable importance, and there is a small army of applicants. General Stone, of Iowa, and ex-Senator Chilcott, of Colorado, are among those mentioned for the position. A strong effort is being made for the retention of Indian Commissioner Oberly. The Indian Rights' Association, the Quakers, and others philanthropically interested in the In-dians, are said to be strongly backing Mr. Oberly.

The Secretary of the Treasury did little olse to-day except sign the day's outgoing mail and receive friends and acquaintances who called to pay their respects or congrat-ulate the country and the department on his selection and assignment to the Treasury portfolio. It is now regarded as practically settled that Mr. Charles E. Coon, of New York, will be appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to succeed Governor Thompson, and that Mr. George C. Tichenor, of Illinois, now a special agent of the treasury, will be appointed Assistant Secretary, to succeed Judge Maynard. It is expected that these names will be ineluded in a number of nominations to be sent to the Senate Monday. Ex-Secretary and Mrs. Fairchild left Washington this afternoon for New York. Secretary Windom had a long interview with Mr. Fairchild, at his residence last night, in relation to the business of the Treasury Depart-

MINOR MATTERS.

Allegation that Two Indianians Have Set Up an Office-Brokerage Business.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. Washington, March 8 .- This morning's Baltimore Sun has the following from its Washington correspondent: "There is more politics to the square inch in Indiana than in any other commonwealth of the Union: it is the meat and drink of that State, and it would be rather singular if they were not here in force. Two enterprising Indiana Republicans, who reached here the day after the arrival of the President-elect, have shown a remarkable degree of enterprise. They are putting up at one of the up-town hotels, and by some means have established communication with a large percentage of the office-seekers already on the ground. They have not exactly hung up their shingle to that effect, but they have caused it to be understood that they are office-brokers, and ready, for a consideration, to prepare papers for applicants the dispensers of patronage. This is a regular confidence game, but there is no doubt it will be prosecuted with gratifying results to the authors of it." The Journal correspondent is unable to locate these men, and it is probable the above statements are untrue.

The Iliness of Justice Matthews. WASHINGTON, March 8 .- A rumor that gained currency this morning to the effect that Associate Justice Matthews, of the Supreme Court of the United States, had had a severe relapse and was dying, proved. upon inquiry at his residence, to be untrue. Mrs. Matthews stated that the Justice had a slight relapse Monday night, brought on by imprudent eating and excitement incident to inauguration day, and that for a time his symptoms were of such a nature as to cause some alarm. At no time, however, said Mrs. Matthews, was his condition critical, and this morning he was much better than he had been for some days. "The Justice's temperature is normal," she continued; "he has quite a good appetite, and evinces great interest in having the accounts of the inauguration read to him, and by careful nursing we hope to bring him around soon to his usual health."

The condition of Justice Matthews is considerably improved this evening. At 9 o'clock Dr. Johnson, his attending physician, said that his patient's symptoms were hourly improving. The fever had almost entirely subsided, his pulse was about normal, and his general condition was such as to warrant the belief that in the course of the next few days he will have regained all he has lost.

Harrison's Warm Greeting.

Washington Special. It was interesting to watch President Harrison receiving the stream of people who for hours poured through the front door of the White House and passed by him as he stood in the East Room. General Harrison's manner was, throughout this contact with the people, unfailingly cordial and warm. It was a common remark among those who had grasped his hand that the warmth of his greeting was surprising. "I had supposed," said a prominent Pennsylvanian, who is not a politician, "that the new President was a cold and formal men. and formal man. He gripped my hand as heartily as if he were personally acquainted with me and I shall go back home never to forget the brief moment when our hands met." President Harrison has still to learn some of the small economies of public handshaking. At present he grasps the average citizen's hand with a good deal of unnecessary muscular force and in shaking it he uses his whole arm. This exercise must become really exhausting after hours of repetition.

Dinner to Secretary Tracy.

WASHINGTON, March 8 .- Col. Elliot F. Shepard, of the New York Mail and Express, gave a dinner, this evening, at the Arlington Hotel to Hon. Benjamin F. Tracy, secretary of the Navy. The other guests stand first.

were: Secretary Rusk, Attorney-general Miller, Secretary Noble, Secretary Proctor, Postmaster-general Wanamaker, Mr. Justice Blatchford, Senator Chandler, Russell B. Harrison, J. R. McKee, Private Secretary Halford, Anson G. McCook, Representative William Walter Phelps, John Sanford, Marroyeni Bey, Joseph C. Jackson, Francis W. Breed, Thomas Dolan, Walker Blaine Representative J. J. Belden, Gen. Blaine, Representative J. J. Belden, Gen. Knapp, John F. Baker, Gen. Daniel Butter-field, General Batchelor, Admiral Porter, Rear Admiral Jouett, Col. Fred Grant, A. T. Britton, Henry C. Bowen, Warner Miller and G. E. Lemon.

The New Attorney-General. WASHINGTON, March 8 .- In the United States Supreme Court, to-day, ex-Attorney general Garland addressed the court as fol-

May it please the court, I ask leave to introduce to the court, Attorney-general William H. H. Miller, and present his commission as such, signed by the President of the United States, and ask that it be duly noted of record. In doing this, the court will permit me to return my sincere thanks to each member thereof, as well as its officers for the uniform courtesy, and considits officers, for the uniform courtesy and consideration shown me by them during my term of office here, and I ask for my successor this same kindness, as I feel sure he will prove himself, in all respects, worthy of it.

The Chief-justice replied as follows: We are happy to make the acquaintance of the Attorney-general. The court welcomes the coming guest with pleasure, and speeds the parting guest with kindly remembrances. Let the commission be recorded.

Congressman Townshend Seriously Ill.

WASHINGTON, March 8 .- Congressman Townshend, of Illinois, who has been suffering for several days past from pneumonia, is reported seriously ill to-night. Late this afternoon his physicians regarded his case to be hopeless, but a favorable change was noted at 9 o'clock to-night, and at midnight his physicians felt more hopeful of his recovery than at any time during the past twenty-four hours.

General Notes.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. WASHINGTON, March 8 .- Mrs. William E. Beach, of Lafayette, daughter of Mr. Jerome Burnett, is visiting her parents on

G. C. Hitt, business manager of the Journal, left this evening for Indianapolis. James M. Justice, of Logansport, and Robert N. Cogner, a former well-known Indianian, left here to-day for their homes.

Col. John A. Bridgland left the city this afternoon for Indiana. Col. Bridgland has taken a prominent part in the exercises which have made President Harrison's inaugural so successful and pleasant, and he has been received most cordially at the has been received most cordially at the White House, where he has friends in all

Bond offerings at the treasury aggregated \$141,000 to-day. Of these, \$140,500 registered four-and-a-half per cents., at \$1.08, were accepted, and \$500 registered four-and-a-half per cents., at \$1.08 and interest, were re-

Postmaster-general Wanamaker has purchased from the Frelinghuysen estate the elegant residence which has been, until recently, the home of Secretary Whitney. The price paid for the house and a part of the furniture is understood to have been

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Wolfe City National Bank, of Wolfe City, Texas, and the Eugene National Bank, of Eugene City, Ore., to begin business, each with a capital of \$50,000; also, the National Bank of Commerce, of Dallas,

Chas. W. Lanier (colored), of Indianapolis, has been appointed an usher at the White House in place of Michael Dwyer, who accompanied ex-President Cleveland to New York.

BIG FIRE AT LOUISVILLE.

Kleinhaus & Simonson's and Strauss's Cloth-

ing Stores Burned-Loss, \$435,000. LOUISVILLE, March 8.—A most disastrous fire in loss in property broke out here today in the basement of the Kleinhans & Simonson clothing house, Nos. 426 to 434 West Market street. Alarms from two other points turned in at the same time drew the attention of the fire department, and there was some delay in getting to work. In fifteen minutes after the alarm the blaze had spread through Kleinhans & Simonson's three large stores, and was leaping from the fourth floor through the roof. Soon after the roof fell in, and a little later two large sections of the side walls. . With one of these, the rear of H. Strauss's dry goods house went down and the fire seemed beyond control. At the first outbreak scores of employes from Kleinhans & Simonson's and the adjoining houses had rushed into the street. One sales-woman was shut in by the flames and with difficulty rescued from the second floor. The stores where the fire started were built compactly in one of the most important blocks in the center of the city. A strong west wind was blowing. and when Strauss's store—the next eastwas already burning on the top floor, and the rear fell in, sending a mass of flames upon the structures in the center of the block, it seemed inevitable that the eastern half should burn. After a hard fight, however, the firemen gained control and confined the flames to the upper floors of Strauss's place. One fireman was painfully and another slightly hurt. One of the Kleinhaus & Simonson buildings was owned by H. Victor Newcomb, of New York; the other by the firm. The Strauss building is owned by the W. P. Churchill estate. The losses are: Kleinhans & Simonson, stock, \$285,000; Kleinhans & Simonson, buildings, \$67,000; Newcomb building, \$25,000; Strauss's stock, \$40,000; Churchill building, \$6,000. Insurance: Kleinhans & Simonson, stock and fixtures, \$172,749; Kleinhans & Simonson, stock and fixtures, \$172,749; Kleinhans & Simonson, and Newcomb building, \$25,000; Strauss's stock, \$38,000; Churchill building, \$16,000. Aggregate losses, including smaller sufferers, \$435,400; total insurance, \$255,277. The insurance is distributed in \$5,000 and under among companies. under among companies represented here.

Other Fires. PITTSBURG, Pa., March 8.—A fire at Centre Hall, near Bellefonte, at 4 o'clock this morning, destroyed Kurtz & Son's extensive flour-mills, together with a dwelling and Bartholomew's grain shed, containing a large quantity of corn and oats. Loss, \$22,000; insurance, \$5,000. The origin of the

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 8.—The wholesale obacco-works of M. W. Hull & Co., at Corry, Pa., were destroyed by fire this afternoon. A consignment of leaf tobacco, valued at \$10,000, together with 300,000 cigars and a large stock of tobacco on hand, was burned. The total loss is \$25,000; insurance, \$6,500. BALTIMORE, March 8.—The four-story brick furniture store of Morton D. Banks, No. 3 North Gay street, took fire in the cellar this morning. The building was valued at \$10,000, and the stock at \$30,000. The insurance is \$20,000.

PLATTE CITY, Mo., March 8 .- The Camden Point Female Orphan Asylum was destroyed by fire this morning. Loss \$30,000; insurance, \$8,000. The inmates all escaped without injury.

Unraveling a Murder Mystery. NEW YORK, March 8 .- The police think NEW YORK, March 8.—The police think they have cleared up the mystery surrounding the brutal murder of drug clerk Guenther Weichrung, yesterday morning. Detective Sergeants Price and Titus, in the course of their search for the place where the hatchet was purchased, visited the store of Isidor Friedlich, No. 1319 First avenue. Friedlich instantly recognized the weapon as one he sold to a youth on Wednesday afternoon. Wm. Krulisch, the drug clerk's assistant, who resides with his uncle at No. 363 East Seventy-first street, was taken before Friedlich, who recognized him beyond doubt. A man named Adolph Schlesinger, who was in the store when the purchase was made, joined in the identification. Krulisch is seventeen years of age. He maintains his innocence, but makes many conflicting statements. He was locked up. The hatchet is of peculiar make, and has been out of the market for

some time past. Charge Against a College Orator. CLEVELAND, O., March 8.—The College Review, at Oberlin, makes a charge of plagiarism against E. C. Ritsher, of Beloit (Wis.) College, who won first place at the interstate oratorical contest at Lawrence, Kan., in May last. The Review asserts that part of the oration was taken from Guizot's "History of Civilization," and publishes comparisons in double columns to prove its assertion. Oberlin's representative, Howard Russell, won second place, and if the charge against Ritsher is sustained Russell will

INDIANA ANDILLINOIS NEWS

Wabash College Chooses a Representative to the State Oratorical Contest.

An Eccentric Will-A Strange Disease-Kille by the Cars-Mormon Elders Assaulted-To Give Henry George's Theory a Trial.

INDIANA.

An Editor's Son Carries Off the Oratorical Honors at Wabash College.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. CRAWFORDSVILLE, March 8.-The oratorical contest in Wabash College, to select a representative for the State contest, was held this evening at Music Hall. The speakers were:

Kumanasuke Kumagai, of Tokia, Japan, "America and Japan;" O. S. Hoffman, Chicago, "Perils of National Wealth;" J. R. Hanna, Crawfordsville, "Union of Liberty and Religion;" M. A. Brannon, Crown Point, "Social Utopias;" J. A. Greene, Crawfordsville, "The Demand of Practical Politics;" U. C. Stover, Ladoga. "The Plutocrat and the Ballot;" A. A. McCain, Crawfordsville, "A. L. Ladorendent Brand," Crawfordsville, "An Independent Press;" M. B. Binford, Thorntown, "Aggressive Tendencies of Catholicism."

Judge Snyder, Judge Thomas and Benjamin Crane were the judges, and they decided that A. A. McCain, who is a son of the editor of the Crawfordsville Journal, carried off the honors, and therefore he will be the representative from Wabash College in the State oratorical contest. J. A. Greene was named as the alternate. Immediately after the report of the judges was announced President Tuttle read the names of the successful Baldwin essayists, as follows: J. A. Greene, O. S. Hoffman, A. A. McCain, and Messrs. Jones, McMechan and Willis These young man will speak and Willis. These young men will speak in about a month for a \$40 prize, which is the gift of Hon. R. W. Baldwin, of Logansport, for the best composition and delivery of any member in the senior class.

Much Land Willed to Friendless Women. FORT WAYNE, March 8.-L. B. Eaton, a very eccentric man, died last Saturday at his home near Fremont, Steuben county. He settled in that county in 1837, and by the closest economy succeeded in acquiring over 1,000 acres of good land and much over 1,000 acres of good land and much remonstrances of the temperance people, 1854 to Napoleon III, and in the fall of 1861 other property. His strange will is in although the matter has been carried to the Ericsson proposed it to our Navy Departkeeping with the oddities of his life. His land is to be divided into lots of ten acres. and on each lot is to be erected a cottage. These cottages are intended for homes for friendless women with good characters over thirty-five years of age. The county commissioners are named as trustees, and, in case they do not wish to serve, the court is authorized to appoint an executor, who must serve without compensation. The money acquired from sales of other property, after building the houses, is to be held in trust for the support of the good

Children Afflicted with a Strange Malady. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

FORT WAYNE, March 8.-About a week ago three step-children of Mr. Rush, an employe of the Pennsylvania road, were seized with a strange malady, which has puzzled the medical fraternity. The children, who range in age from six to twelve years, were seized with violent paroxysms. raved like maniacs and vomited and frothed, as if afflicted with hydrophobia. Their cries could be heard for blocks around, and their agony excited the sympathy of the whole neighborhood. The physicians are unable to diagnose the strange disease, some attributing it to poison, while others think it hydrophobia. The children are growing worse, and are kept in separate rooms with strong men guarding them.

A Young Couple Elope.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. Columbus, March 8 .- A sensation has been created in Hamblen township, Brown county, over the elopement of Albert Flint with Miss Mand Crabb. The children belong to highly respected their ages and fifteen years, respectively. The boy has been paying his respects to his girl bride for some time, but it was not supposed by the latter's parents that the couple had any intention of immediate matrimony. Their whereabouts is unknown.

Struck by an Engine and Killed. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

SEYMOUR, March 8 .- An accident occurred here to-day, resulting in the death of Hamilton Monroe, a well-to-do farmer, and one of the best known citizens of this vicinity. He was on the way to the depot to take the train, and in crossing the track at the platform was struck by the engine of the J., M. & I. passenger train, which arrives here about 10 o'clock. The deceased was fifty-one years of age, and a native of this township. He leaves a wife and six children.

Boy Accidentally Shot.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. GREENCASTLE, March 8 .- The youngest son of Bat Finn, of this city, was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun while out hunting this afternoon. The boy was climbing over a fence, pulling the gun over after him, when the hammer caught and discharged it. The ball passed through his hand, and entering his neck, passed | Thursday, at Warren, and killed. downward to his lungs, causing a hemorage, resulting in his death. The lad was about fourteen years of age.

Mormon Elders Coated with Broken Eggs. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

CORYDON, March 8 .- Two Mormon elders were egged while conducting a meeting at a school-house a few miles south of here last night. The eggs were thrown through the doors and windows, and the elders were covered with them from head to foot. Persons on the outside opened the doors and windows, but who they were is not known. The meeting was continued, notwithstanding the interruption.

Found His Wife Dead on the Floor. special to the Indianapolis Journal

ELKHART, March 8.-Upon entering his home to-day, at noon, Charles Honald, of this city, found his eighteen-year-old wife lying dead on the floor and their baby playing about her. She is supposed to have died of heart disease, but as there is some gossip to the effect that she had had trouble during the morning with a neighbor who was in the house, the coroner has been summoned.

Arrest of Mrs. Charnes's Assaulter. Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WASHINGTON, March 8 .- Josiah Charnes, the young farmer who criminally assaulted his sister-in-law, Mrs. Martin Charnes, on Wednesday, has been arrested, and is now in the jail here awaiting trial. Charnes is twenty-four years old, and has spent one term in the penitentiary for the larceny of

Serious Result of a Pet Dog's Bite. Special to the Indianapolis Journal

PERU, March 8 .- David McCormick, an aged farmer residing near Bennetts, Miami county, was bitten, a few days ago, by a pet dog. Nothing serious was anticipated until yesterday, when blood-poisoning set in, which will probably result fatally.

Religious Excitement Causes a Suicide. Special to the Indianapolis Journal. DECATUR, March 8 .- Charles Yager, a

prominent young farmer, living in the southwest part of Adams county, committed suicide to-day by blowing out his brains. He was insane from religious excitement. Minor Notes.

Columbus has a steam fire-alarm whistle

that can be heard twenty miles away. Capt. J. T. Hugo, of Evansville, one of the oldest steamboat men on Western rivers, is dead, at the age of seventy years. Peter Biesen, ex-councilman and a promi-

nent German citizen, died at Madison yesterday from the effects of an accidental fall Henry Wenzell, of Wabash county, heard a queer sound at his door the other night, and upon opening it a raccoon seized his big toe and bit it severely. The animal

was captured. Mr. Wenzell's foot has, since then, swollen to immense preportions, and fears are entertained that the raccoon had hydrophobia.

George Vogelsong, who left his Shelbycounty home in a passion a year and a half ago, has just been heard from. He joined the regular army.

The store of William Campbell, at New Richmond, was destroyed by fire on Wednesday evening, together with its contents. Loss, \$3,000; insured.

Charles Landgrave, a prominent farmer, while hitching a horse, at Peru, yesterday, was kicked and had a leg broken, besides receiving other dangerous injuries.

A horse belonging to Dr. Covert, of Greensburg, has what is pronounced to be glanders by two veterinary surgeons. The State Veterinarian will examine the case Arthur Gordon, who made false collec-tions on goods sold by the Rockford Pub-

lishing Company at Crawfordsville, pleaded guilty and was sent to the penitentiary for two years. All the business places at Coal City, small place near Spencer, were burglarized on Wednesday night, the thieves carrying

away large quanties of cigars, tobacco, whisky and clothing. John Drennon, a wholesale lumber merchant of Princeton, has been missing for ten days, and, although relatives have in-stituted a vigorous search, no trace of his whereabouts can be discovered.

Cal Stout, a young married man, of Muncie, was arrested on Thursday night on the charge of forging a \$12 bank check on Ralph Hemingray, manager of Hemingray's glass-works. He is in jail. There is a good deal of dissatisfaction in

Steuben county over the change in the judicial circuit, whereby that county and DeKalb are left together. It is claimed that the expenses will be increased without proportionate advantages. At Grantsburg, Crawford county, Nancy Hughes attempted to hang herself. She climbed to the top of a tree, tied one end of a rope to a limb and the other around her

neck and made a leap, but the neighbors cut her down and saved her life. William Henderson has transferred to the Indianapolis Natural-gas Company gas leases on 2,542 acres of land in Madison

courts several times.

At New Albany, on Thursday, Miles Cooper was given damages in \$6,500 by the Circuit Court in his suit against the steam forge-works. While wheeling hot slag, about a year ago, the vehicle upset in the snow, causing an explosion and destroying the plaintiff's eyes. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court.

James Losey, Herbert Veale and Fred Castor, aged thirteen, fourteen and sixteen years, respectively, ran away from the Soldiers' Orphans' Home at Knightstown, but were captured at Greensburg. They say that while they have never been mistreated there, many of the inmates are cruelly whipped for slight offenses.

Rev. Thomas Lines and wife, of Henry county, recently celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. Lines has been an ordained minister for forty years; was at one time a member of the State Legislature, and has filled several offices in his county. He is seventy-eight years of age and his wife seventy-seven.

Alfred L. Elliott, a bibulous shoemaker of Jeffersonville, was warned by alleged White Caps to mend his ways. Instead of obeying the command, he invested in more liquor, and then loaded up all the old muskets he could find in preparation for an attack. He has made a fort of his shop, and proposes to fight his enemies if they give him a chance.

ILLINOIS.

Resolution Providing for the Submission to the People of a Henry George Theory.

SPRINGFIELD, March 8.—In the Senate, today, a resolution was introduced providing for the submission to a vote of the people at the general election in November, 1890, of a constitutional amendment. This proposed amendment provides for the raising of all the taxes in the State by an assessment on lands, only, according to the plan pro-posed by Henry George. A bill was intro-duced forbidding the employment of chil-dren under fourteen years of age, in mines, factories and stores.

Elopers Arrested.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. MATTOON, March 8.-A man named Hooker, from Lexington, Ind., who eloped with a woman named Eldredge, from Champaign, was overtaken by the woman's husband, Andy Eldredge, at Arcola, and the pair was arrested and taken back to Champaign. In Hooker's stocking was found \$200 that he had carried away with him. He was sent to jail. The woman has six children. The man was also married and had deserted his wife.

Brief Mention. Richard Addis, born in 1806, and a resident of the State since 1826, died at Tuscola. on Thursday.

Thirty dogs, besides a calf and a fine horse, have been poisoned within the past few days at Assumption. Dr. T. W. Walton, Assistant State Veterinarian, was thrown from his buggy on Theodore Engelman, a pioneer of St.

on Thursday at the advanced age of Daniel Cox, charged with the murder of Marion Neece, at Walkerville, in 1877, was on Thursday sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Clair county, died in Engelman township

Prof. R. B. Minton, who for twenty-seven years past was professor of mathematics in Blackburn University, at Carlinville, died on Thursday. Luella Kimball, who last Sunday threw

carbolic acid on a group of worshipers in a church at, Bloomington, was taken to the Jacksonville Insane Asylum on Thursday. August Leseure, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Vermillion county, died at Danville, on Thursday,

from a stroke of paralysis. He was seventy-three years old. James Allen, of Franklin, who some time ago eloped with the wife of William A. Groat, taking with him nearly all of Groat's propety, was, arrested on Thursday and

taken to Jacksonville. Fifteen young men, of Arthur, Moultrie county, were seriously poisoned on Thursday, by drinking eider from a barrel that a groceryman allowed to remain in his back yard over night, and which some one had

drugged. All were made very ill, but it is not believed that any of the cases will prove A thirteen-year-old tom cat died at Mar-shall, yesterday, that was a boss among his kind. He weighed thirteen pounds, and had never suffered defeat in many mid-

night brawls, although he was very gentle where gentleness was required. Its owner, who dealt in queensware, says that for twelve years the cat had hunted mice among glass and other fragile ware but had never broken a single piece. Earthquake Shock in Pennsylvania.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 8.—Two pro-nounced earthquake shocks were felt here this evening about 6:40. Buildings swayed and people ran out of their houses. Reports from points in the country show that the shock was very perceptible.

CARLISLE, Pa., March 8 .- The earthquake shock which passed over this part of the State this evening was felt throughout this city. Numbers of buildings were shaken and the occupants frightened, but no damage has been reported. LEBANON, Pa., March 8.—A light earth-quake shock was experienced through this

city about 6:30 this evening. GETTYSBURG. Pa., March 8.—At 6:40 this afternoon a slight earthquake shock was felt ou Cemetery Hill. Houses were shaken until the windows rattled for ten seconds. It was also felt at Hanover and points east. At Lineboro, Md., a noise like thunder was

heard. At Emery Grove it was thought a

train had left the track and had knocked down the station. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" Are widely known as an admirable remedy for bronchitis, hoarseness, coughs and throat troubles. Sold only in boxes. OBITUARY.

Capt. John Ericsson, a Noted Engineer and Inventor of War-Ship Destroyers. New York, March 8.—Capt. John Eriesson, the famous Swedish engineer who designed the iron-clad Monitor and launched her complete in one hundred days, died this morning shortly after 12 o'clock. He had been ill for only one week, and when a physician was called in, owing to his advanced age, Mr. Eriesson failed to rally.

John Ericsson was born in Langbanstryttan, province of Wermland, Sweden, July 31, 1803. His father, Olof, was a mining proprietor, and his brother, Baron Nils Ericsson, was colonel of engineers and became chief of the Swedish railways. As a boy John had ample opportunity of watching machinery connected with mines, and his mechanical talent was early developed. When he was ten years of age, he constructed a wind-mill and pumping-engine. At twelve he was made a cadet of mechanical engineers, and at seventeen he entered the Swedish army as an ensign. He rapidly reached a lieutenancy in consequence of the beauty of his military maps, which attracted the attention of King Charles John (Bernadotte). In 1826, white in London on leave of absence to introduce a flame engine, he sent his resignation home. It was accepted, after he had first been promoted to the rank of captain. He came to America, in 1839, and never returned to Sweden, but his native country sent him many honors and decorations, and in 1867 a great granite monument was erected in front of his father's house by the miners, bearing the simple inscription, "John Ericsson was born here

His inventions and engineering achievements after resignation from the Swedisl army form a catalogue of wonders, and their importance is indicated by the fact that his world-wide fame of more than half a century ago was strengthened and increased by each successive work to which his attention was attracted. The versatil-ity of his genius was sometimes lost sight of in the importance given to his great improvements in the enginery of warfare. In 1841 he began to build the Princeton, the the Indianapolis Natural-gas Company gas leases on 2,542 acres of land in Madison county, over 6,000 acres in Hamilton county, and large blocks in Hancock and Marion counties. The average price paid to the owners of the land was \$50 per farm.

Steuben county is anxious for a high-license-local-option temperance law. Would-be saloon-keepers are continually harassing the commissioners for licenses, but have failed to procure them through the active remonstrances of the temperance people, although the matter has been carried to the first naval vessel that ever carried her machinery under the water line out of reach of hostile shot. This vessel dictated reconstruction to the fleets of the world. The London Mechanics' Magazine at the time said: "The undivided honors of having built the first practical screw war ship and the first cupola (turret) vessel belong to John Ericsson." Such a device as a turret ship had been offered by Ericsson in 1854 to Napoleon III, and in the fall of 1861 Ericsson proposed it to our Navy Depart-By extraordinary energy and executive skill the Monitor was launched with steam machinery complete, one hundred days from the laying of the keelplate, and arrived in Hampton Roads March 9, 1862, just in time to defeat the confeder-ate iron-clad Merrimac, which had destroyed the Cumberland and Congress, and was about to sink or disperse the rest of the government's wooden fleet. But for the Monitor the whole aspect of the war might have been changed and European interference attempted.

Among the many other inventions he gave to the world are a file-cutting machine, an instrument for taking soundings, the artificial draught for steam boilers, a hy-drostatic weighing machine, a salt-making apparatus, a rotary steam engine, the de-vice for condensing steam and returning the water to the boiler, the link motion for reversing steam engines, the use of superheated steam, a locomotive engine (among the first offered), a caloric engine, and an alarm barometer. His contributions to the centennial exposition at Philadelphia required a volume of 600 quarto pages in their description. His scientific investigations included many valuable astronomical discoveries. A few years ago, after a series of experiments extending over twenty years, Captain Ericsson perfected his famous sun motor, and determined the mechanical energy that the great luminary has in store for mankind when the coal fields become exhausted. The motor furnishes a steady and reliable power under ordinary sun-

Captain Ericsson lived in an old-fash-ioned house at 36 Beach street, New York, which was once a fashionable quarter before St. John's Park was built over by the freight depots of the Hudson river railroad. Around it now are factories, warehouses, stables and tenements; noise and dirt and smell. His life there was wholly devoted to work, and his effort was to economize every moment of the time remaining to him to work out ideas that his record proved to

be of real and great importance.

He attributed his enjoyment of such remarkable vigor at his age, in his own words, "to the understanding of the ma-chinery of his being, its care, and its needs." The constitution he inherited from his sturdy Swedish ancestors was the first important factor in the question, and regular habits and daily physical exercise were the others. For many years he took regular outdoor walks, and they were prin-cipally in the evening, because in the absence of the dust, and noise, and bustle of the day he found them more beneficial. He gave up these walks a long time ago when he found that he was not getting the benefit from them that he had formerly observed. But in a room full of gymnastic appliances, and in the big apartments of the old-fashioned house, he got sufficient exercise, and there was always plenty of fresh air let in by the open windows. He used no tobacco and never drank wine, beer or other kinds of liquors.

Wife Murder and Suicide.

TIFFIN, O., March 8.—The town of Fostoria, fourteen miles west of here, is torn up over a terrible tragedy which occurred there last night. For some time William Gessler, of that place, has been working at a glass factory in Findlay. Last night appeared at Fostoria and went to the home of his wife's parents, where his wife had been living during his absence, accompanied by his brother-in-law. The wife was called to the door by Gessler. The brother-in-law, who was standing in the background, heard Gessler ask his wife a question which he could not understand. She answered "No," and quick as a flash Gessler drew a revolver and shot her, the ball entering the hip. She turned and staggered into the house, when he shot her in the near and she fell dwing on the floor in the neck, and she fell dying on the floor. Gessier then placed the revolver against the front of his own neck and fired. The ball passed through the neck, killing him instantly. It was all done so quickly that nobody could interfere. The cause of the deed is unknown, though it was supposed to be jealousy. Gessler came either from Wheeling or Bellaire, and is a glass-worker.

Mysterious and Fatal Shooting.

Mora, Minn., March 8.—A mysterious shooting occurred last evening at Brunswick, near here, at the house of Mrs. A. C. Hanson, in which Mrs. Hanson and a brother-in-law, Jacob Hanson, were severe-ly wounded, the woman fatally. The shoot-ing is claimed to have been done by a man named William Natting, who is now under arrest. He was a friend of the family and making a visit when the shooting occurred. He is accused of the attempted murder by a son and daughter of Mrs. Hanson, who were in the house when the deed was committed. Natting claims to be innocent.

Trainmen Injured.

CINCINNATI, March 8.-A wreck occurred on the Louisville & Nashville road, between Morris station and Independence, Ky., six miles back of Covington, about half past 6 o'clock last night. The last car next to the caboose of the local freight on its way to Cincinnati broke an axle, throwing the car and caboose from the track, wrecking both. Three men were buried in the debris. They were conductor Rogers, brakeman Bell and another brakeman, whose name is unknown. All were seriously injured. They were removed to Covington.

Injured by a Falling Roof.

CINCINNATI, March 8.—To-day, while workmen were engaged in tearing down the building in which the cyclorama of the battle of Gettysburg has been exhibited, at Seventh and Elm streets, the heavy roof fell in, burying several persons in the ruins.
The injured are: Peter St. Peter, of Chicago, laborer, may die; Adam McCarthy, laborer, badly injured, and Sol. Cohn, ragpicker, who had gone into the builing contrary to orders, both arms broken and internal injuries. The picture belongs to C. S. Willoughby, of Chicago.

Steamship News.

BROWHEAD, March 8 .- Sighted: Ontario, from Baltimore for Bristol. SOUTHAMPTON, March 8.—Passed: Saal,

from New York for Bremen. NEW YORK, March 8 .- Arrived: Adriatic, City of Berlin, from Liverpool; Zeeland, from Antwerp; Hecla, from Copenhagen



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TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Captain Fred L. Dunning and Thomas R. Bran were walking on the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio track at Kent, O., yester-day, when an engine backed down upon them, killing both.

Ex-Governor Nelson C. Dewey, the first Governor of Wisconsin, an old-time Democratic leader, was stricken with paralysis on Monday, and is dying. Governor Dewey is seventy-five years of age.

Robert Sigel, of New York, son of Gen. Franz Sigel, who is charged with pension forgeries, yesterday waived further exami-nation, and was held for trial in default of \$15,000 bail. He will be called on to plead

Annie Roche, of the Town of Ida, Dougcounty, althresora, committed suicid by hanging. The cause was disappointment in love. She was a former sweetheart of Lee, recently hanged at Alexan-

dria, for murder, and since that event has been exceedingly despondent, and at times partially deranged. Yesterday afternoon Jack Gaile, a colored man, living in the suburban Town of Lake, near Chicago, quarreled with his wife, and in a fight which ensued cut her throat with a razor, the woman dying in a few mo-ments. The deed is supposed to have re-

not been apprehended.

sulted from jealousy. The murderer has

Business Embarrassments. CINCINNATI, March 8.—John H. Watson was to-day appointed receiver of the H. M. Merrill Drug company. The assets amount to about \$15,000; liabilities probably about

Attachment after attachment comes in gainst Albert Netter, the well-known broker. Mortgages upon the elegant residence held in his wife's name are about to be foreclosed, and it is the general belief that Netter will not return. He and his brother made a sensational failure in New York, ten years ago, when it was discovered that they had rehypothecated bonds pledged with them. Since then Albert Net-ter has done an unusually large brokerage business in this city.

Boston, Mass., March 8.—The Bufford's Sons Lithographic Company announced suspension of payment to-day, and a meeting of directors has been called to decide upon what action is necessary in the matter. The suspension is due to slow collections. The company has not failed, as has been reported, and the plant would much more than cover all liabilities. The works employed 125 men and has a capital of \$175,-000. The habilities are estimated at \$100,-

CLEVELAND, O., March 8.—The Findlay Iron and Steel Company, at Findlay, O., was placed in the hands of a receiver to-

day. Liabilities, \$30,000. ALBANY, N. Y., March 8.-Thomas C. Cooper, wholesale dealer in flour and provisions, assigned to-day. Liabilities, \$100,-

000; preferences, \$65,000. Disappeared on His Wedding Day. MINNEAPOLIS, March 8 .- James W. Viccars, book-keeper, disappeared under mysterious circumstances, Wednesday. The day had been named for his marriage to Miss Hattie T. Ray, 313 Newton avenue. Viccars, with one of the members of his firm, had gone to the court-house and secured the marriage license. He called upon his prospective bride in the forenoon, and upon leaving assured her that she could expect him to call with the carriage promptly at 3 o'clock, but he failed to keep the appointment. That day, after dinner,

he disappeared, and no trace of him has

Assassination in Alabama. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 8 .- Near Gate City Junction, a few miles from Birming-ham, at 7 o'clock last night, A. W. Busby was sitting by his fireside and his wife and children were in bed. Without note of warning a bullet from a Winchester rifle passed through the window and struck him just under the left ear, causing instant death. He had a quarrel, yesterday, with a saw-mill man from Petham, named Grant, over some lumber and a debt. Grant sub-sequently braced up with whisky and made threats to some companions that he would settle with Busby before 9 o'clock. He is supposed to have been Busby's assassin.

Canceled Railway Tickets Resold.

CHICAGO, March 8.—E. E. Schroeder, a train baggageman on the Chicago, Milwankee & St. Paul road, has beed arrested on charges of larceny and forgery. He is charged with having stolen passenger tickets after they had been punched by the conductors and placed in envelopes, then punching the conductor's punch mark out with a station baggage punch. This made the tickets as good as new for travelers who had no trunks to check. These tickets he placed on the market by selling them to scalpers. The railroad people say Schroeder has practiced this scheme for several months, and their loss is estimated at nearly \$2,000.

Counterfeiters Arrested.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. March 8.—United States Marshal Faulkenbury arrested, in Conway county, yesterday, Martin Thorp and Will-iam Garner, leaders of the most extensive gang of counterfeiters in the Southwest. Officers have been on the track of these men for months. An immense sum of bogus money, comprising \$5, \$10, and \$20 imita-tion gold pieces, was also secured. Over a dozen persons are implicated, comprising some well-known people of Perry and Saline counties. Thorp and Garner have been bound over. The arrest causes a great sensation.

Foundation for a Great Charity. CLEVELAND, O., March 8 .- John Huntington, an original member of the Standard Oil Company, to-day signed a deed, conveying two hundred thousand dollars' worth of 6-per-cent, stocks to a board of seven trustees composed of leading citizens. The stocks will be called the "John Huntington benevolent trust," and the interest thereon is to be distributed among a dozen charitable institutions. Part of the interest is to be held until the fund amounts to \$300,000, when all the dividends are to be devoted to

A Fight in Prospect.

charity.

HELENA, M. T., March 8.—On Wednesday night three hundred men left Butte for Jefferson canyon, armed with Winchester rifles. They were employes of the Union Pacific road, and under the captaincy of a man named Kenna, an employe of the road. They had tents and all camp equipments, and their instructions were to hold the canyon at all hazards. A large number of Northern Pacific men have started from Helena for the same place, and it is certain that there will be trouble over the possession of the canyon.

THE body is more susceptible to benefit other season. Therefore take it now.